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AMENDMENTS

Some years ago Article IV, § 2, of the Constitution was amended to its present form for the specific purpose of preventing the necessity or the possibility of having a large majority of the official staff go out of office at the same time, since it was deemed more conducive to stability not to have a radical and wholesale change in the official staff at any given election. Unfortunately the present rule will make it necessary for us to elect seven of the nine members of our Executive Council at the annual meeting in 1923, unless something is done to change that rule at the annual meeting in 1922. The following amendments, if adopted, will enlarge our Executive Council to eleven members and will bring it about that at no annual election shall we have to elect more than four or five officers, out of the total of eleven.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

§ 1. The last three words to read: *six* other members.

(The present reading is: *four* other members.)

§ 2. Change the entire paragraph to read as follows:

The term of these officers shall be as follows: for the President, one year; for the three Vice-Presidents, three years (one to be elected each year for three years, and the outgoing Vice-President to be considered as First Vice-President, etc.); for the Secretary-Treasurer, three years; for the six other members of the Executive Council, three years each (two to be elected each year for three years).

(The present reading is as follows: The term of these officers shall be as follows: for the President, Third Vice-President, and one of the four other members, one year; for the Second Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and one of the four other members, two years; for the First Vice-President and two of the other four members, three years.)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Of the present staff of officers the following will hold over through 1923, and will therefore not be affected by the coming election:

First Vice-President, Lawrence A. Wilkins, New York City.

Secretary-Treasurer, Alfred Coester, Stanford University.

Executive Council Members: Guillermo A. Sherwell, Washington, D. C.; Edith Johnson, University of Southern California.

By our present rules we shall elect at the coming annual meeting the following officers:

The President, for one year;

The Second Vice-President, for two years;

The Third Vice-President, for one year;

One Executive Council Member, for one year;
One Executive Council Member, for two years.

If the proposed amendments are approved, it should be understood that (in order to cause as speedily as possible the proper rotation of the various classes) the Third Vice-President and the two Executive Council Members are each elected for three years, the other two officers (President and Second Vice-President) to stand as originally elected.

Then two Executive Council Members should be nominated from the floor for a two-year period and elected by majority vote of those present. In making these two nominations the members should bear in mind the principles that have hitherto ruled in the sessions of nominating committees: representative territorial distribution, and proper proportion between high school and university representation.

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